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Block Quotes

Monday, July 09, 2007

-- Under the title "Message to the Respected American President" Yacoub Al-Awadi commented in moderate Arabic daily Al-Rai (07/09):

"We say to religious President George Bush that his administration's foreign policy in dealing with oppressed peoples is the furthest thing from the teachings of Jesus Christ."

-- "The Anniversary of the Iraqi Invasion Approaches: Kuwait and Iraq and the Missing Relationship" was the title of Hassan Ali Karam's piece in conservative Arabic daily Al-Watan in which he penned (07/09):

"As the anniversary of the 1991 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait draws closer, we must ask where is our relationship with the new Iraq. Since the fall of the Saddam regime four years ago, both Iraqi and Kuwaiti officials insist that relations between the two countries are excellent. But in reality there is no evidence that any progress has been made on regaining trust. Many Kuwaitis still worry about Iraqi intentions towards their country."

-- Dr. Bassam Al-Shatti wrote in moderate Arabic daily Alam Al-Yawm under the title "'Peace' Beating the Drums of War" (07/09):

"The Iranian satellite station 'Peace,' which is transmitted from America, airs interviews with Iranians who fan the fire of hostilities and enmity between the Sunnis and the Shiites."

-- Under the title "Hamas Bankruptcy" Mikhlid Al-Shammari editorialized in moderate Arabic daily Al-Anbaa (07/09):

"Despite the prospects for the establishment of a Palestinian state, Hamas has intentionally turned the situation in the occupied territories back to square one. Isn't 59 years of misery enough?"

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